

Service Date: June 9, 2016

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern	)	REGULATORY DIVISION
Energy's 2012-2013 Electricity Supply	)	
Tracker	)	DOCKET NO. D2013.5.33
	)	
IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern	)	DOCKET NO. D2014.5.46
Energy's 2013-2014 Electricity Supply	)	
Tracker	)	

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION ACTION**

NorthWestern Corporation, doing business as NorthWestern Energy (NorthWestern), filed its 2012-2013 Electricity Supply Tracker on May 31, 2013. The Commission issued *Interim Order 7283* on June 18, 2013 and granted intervention to the Montana Consumer Counsel ("MCC"), Natural Resources Defense Council and Human Resource Council District XI on August 2, 2013. NorthWestern filed its 2013-2014 Electricity Supply Tracker on May 29, 2014. *See* Notice of Commn. Action, Dkt. D2013.5.33 (May 12, 2014) (consolidating the trackers). The Commission issued a *Notice of Application and Intervention Deadline* on May 31, and *Interim Order 7283a* on June 17, 2014. On August 19, 2014, the Commission granted general intervention to the Montana Environmental Information Center and Sierra Club ("MEIC"). On October 22, 2014, the Commission issued *Procedural Order 7283b* for the consolidated trackers. On February 27, 2015, the Commission issued *Amended Procedural Order 7283f*. On September 15, 2015, the Commission issued a *Notice of Public Hearing*. A public hearing was held in Helena on October 6-7, 2015.

On May 13, 2016, the Commission issued *Final Order 7283h*. On May 23, 2016, NorthWestern filed a *Motion for Reconsideration* ("Motion for Reconsideration"). On May 31, 2016, the MEIC filed a *Motion for Leave to File Response to NorthWestern Energy's Motion for Reconsideration* ("Motion"). On June 2, 2016, the Commission issued a *Notice of Staff Action* waiving Montana Administrative Rule 38.2.4806(5) in order to act on the MEIC's Motion at a

subsequent work session. On June 7, 2016, at a properly noticed work session, the Commission voted three to two to grant MEIC's Motion and will allow all intervenors an opportunity to file a response to NorthWestern's Motion for Reconsideration no later than **June 10, 2016**.

NorthWestern may file a reply no later than **June 24, 2016**.

BY THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BRAD JOHNSON, Chairman

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